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NEMOTO et al	) Art Unit 1773
Application Number: 10/616,377	) Examiner Holly C. Rickman
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For: Perpendicular Magnetic Recording Medium	) ) )
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Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## **COVER LETTER**

Sir:

[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

For	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL Currently On File	CLAIMS ALREADY PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	20	16	(Over 20)	x \$50	0
Independent Claims	3	2	(Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
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TOTAL		0.00			

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[x] Response and Preliminary Amendment	[x] Petition for one-month Extension of Time
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[ ] Preliminary Amendment	[ ] Letter to Draftsperson
[ ] Substitute Specification	[ ] sheet of drawings
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[x]	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with the communication, or credit any overpayment to <b>Deposit Account Number 08-1480</b> .					
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